

## **REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Guy R. Gosnell on March 11, 2010.

The application has been amended as follows:.

With respect to the Specification, following changes had been made:

Heading has been added to the following sections of the Specification as shown below in underlines.

**Before Paragraph [0001]: The underlined headings have been inserted in the position shown.**

HOLDING DEVICE FOR A MOBILE TELEPHONE

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The invention relates to a holding device for a mobile telephone, in particular a holding device which is suitable for installation in a motor vehicles.

**Before Paragraph [0002]: The underlined headings have been inserted in the position shown.**

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#### DESCRIPTION OF RELATED ART

Holders or holding devices for mobile telephones are preferably used in minor vehicles in order, on the one hand, to hold the mobile telephones securely and, on the other hand, to provide electrical contact of the mobile telephones with hands free sets installed in the motor vehicles and with external antennas provided on the motor vehicles. Holding devices of the type described above must meet numerous general requirements which relate essentially to their ability to be handled by the user, the mechanical reliability of the holding devices, the holding properties of the mobile telephone, and the reliability of the electrical contracting

**Before Paragraph [0009]: The underlined headings have been inserted in the position shown.**

(Paragraph [0008]).....Furthermore, the receptacles in the housing of the mobile telephone entail, for the fixation pins of the holding device, a predetermined configuration of the housing of the mobile telephone. The receptacles in the housing are expensive and the configuration of the mobile telephone is restricted by the receptacles to be provided.

**BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

The objective of the present invention is to provide a holding device which is easy to handle and which also meets the conceptual requirements described above in a holding device for installation in a motor vehicle.

**Before Paragraph [0027]: The underlined headings have been inserted in the position shown.**

Further details and forms of embodiment of the invention will be described with reference to the schematic representations. Shown therein are

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE SEVERAL VIEWS OF THE DRAWING(S)**

Figure 1a in a sectional view along a longitudinal axis, a holding device according to one form of embodiment of the invention and suitable to receive a mobile telephone.

**Before Paragraph [0032]: The underlined headings have been inserted in the position shown.**

Figure 3 another holding device according to one form of embodiment of the invention and based on the same principles as the holding device illustrated schematically in figure 1a.

#### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

In figure 1a a holding device according to one form of embodiment of the invention is shown in a sectional representation. The holding device 200 is composed functionally of a main tray 210, a head-holding bracket 220 in the head area 206 of the holding device 200, a foot tray 280, and a foot-holding bracket 260 in the foot area 207 of the holding device 200. The main tray 210 with its holding surface 215 is configured to receive the mobile telephone 100.... (Paragraph [0032] continues).

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### ***Allowable Subject Matter***

2. Claims 1-2 and 4-15 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The claims are allowable over the cited art for the reason discloses below.

The references cited are:

Matchett et al. (5,907,796)

Kato (US 6,785,567 B2)

Matchett et al., discloses, a cradle for an electronic operating device such as mobile phones. Matchett et al. further discloses, cradle consisting a back wall, a base support, a top support and a locking nose. The base support in which the base of a telephone is inserted consists of a depression. The base support also has elastic padding which aid to keep the telephone firmly inserted. On the top support there is a frame which laterally supports the telephone's top end. The locking nose is pivoting attached to the back wall of the top support frame. When the locking nose is lowered position the downwards extending supporting extension on the front wall of the nose is in front of the phone preventing the telephone from moving forwards.

Kato discloses, radio device holder including a main unit, a tray having a first side holding section and a second side holding section for holding the portable. Kato further discloses, a stopper rib for restricting the device locking member to an immovable state when the tray is situated in an installation position. The holder consists of a spring for impelling the tray constantly in the direction from the installation position. And a tray locking mechanism including a tray locking member for engaging with the tray when situated in the installation position to fix the position of the tray.

None of these applications discloses the limitations wherein holding device comprising:

“an annular holder which is a part that is separable as a unit from the holding surface and which comprises as least the head-holding bracket and the foot holding bracket and where the annular holder is formed, in plan view, essential in the form of a frame”.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled “Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance.”

***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to SARWAT CHUGHTAI whose telephone number is (571)270-7272. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday 8:30AM-6:00PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nick Corsaro can be reached on (571)272-7876. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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